## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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## REPLY TO FINAL REJECTION

Mail Stop Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office action dated August 5, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

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